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To whom it may concern, I am a professional truck driver. I drive from coast to coast, to and from every major metropolitan area in the U.S.A. I have had XM Satellite Radio for two years now. The recent addition of traffic and weather to the services provided by XM Satellite Radio has been very beneficial to my profession. In planning my trips into or out of all major metropolitan areas I always tune to the corresponding traffic & weather station for that city on my XM Satellite Radio. This has helped me save time, money, fuel, and air in several different ways. By giving me the information I need to avoid crowded roads or dangerous weather situations and select routes which are freeflowing and with fair weather. I save time and fuel (money), also I reduce the chance of being involved in a traffic accident, making the roadways safer for the motoring public. I considered XM Satellite Radio to be more of a necessity than a luxury even before the traffic & weather services were added. When Operation: Iraqi Freedom began, my younger brother was sent overseas to Kuwait and Iraq, during that time every preset on my XM Satellite Radio was programmed to a "News channel" this helped me cope with the feelings of uncertainty for my brother's wellbeing and kept me informed of the operation's progress. Thanks to God my brother returned safely. And thanks to XM Satellite Radio I felt informed of his situation until he did. All of these services are unavailable to me through the regular AM/FM radio broadcast because I travel across cities and county lines so quickly that I cannot receive their signals for more than thirty minutes or so. In so far as AM/FM traffic & weather information, I cannot receive it until I am in the middle of the local broadcast area, and the middle of a traffic jam or otherwise bad weather. XM Satellite Radio on the other hand gives me the information on demand long before I reach those areas for which I need traffic & weather updates. In closing I would like to say that I fully support XM Satellite Radio and I consider the services they provide to be absolutely indispensable to me and all who pay for these services. Please REJECT the N.A.B.'s petition 04-160. Thank you.

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